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THE SECRETARY'S STAFF MEETING, 9:15 a.m. (attendance attached)

Secretary Herter, Chairman

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3. Berlin-Germany

Mr. Kohler said the Germans now seem somewhat unhappy over denouncing the trade agreement with the GDR. The GDR is attempting divisive tactics but the West Germans will insist that the East Germans deal with one office alone in West Germany.

We hope the German analysis of the vulnerabilities of East Germany will come up soon. We will want to send this to NATO as well as to Washington for consideration by the quadripartite group there.

The Secretary

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The Secretary inquired concerning the German attitude toward the talks with the USSR on trade. Replying, Mr. Kohler said that apparently Adenauer's view has been that business should go on as usual, but Carstens says he will keep the Berlin situation in mind in negotiations with the Soviets.

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